

INTIMATIONS.

**CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT
EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN
OF 1877.**
Authorized by Imperial Edict, dated the 2nd day of the 9th Month, of the 11th Year of
"K'owin-Su" (5th October, 1877).

£1,604,276. 0. 10 IN STOCK IN BONDS OF
2100 EACH.
Bearing Interest from 31st December, 1877, the
First Coupon of £1. 4. 6 being payable on
28th February, 1878, and Coupons of £1.
being payable thereafter on 31st August
and 31st February in each year, until
14th June, 1884, when the last Coupon of
£2. 8 will be payable.

THE BONDS ARE REDEEMABLE AT PAR
WITHIN SIX YEARS, OR BY
HALF-YEARLY DRAWINGS.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN
LONDON, HONGKONG, AND SHANGHAI.

PRICE OF ISSUE 95 PER CENT.

The HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION, 31 Lombard Street, London, as
Agents for the Chinese Government, hereby
invite Subscribers for £1,604,276. 0. 10 at
95 per cent. Bonds at the issue price of £95
per cent, payable as follows:

£10 PER CENT. ON APPLICATION.
£40 PER CENT. ON ALLOTMENT.
£45 PER CENT. 15 DAYS AFTER ALLOTMENT.

The Bonds will bear interest at the rate of 21
per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly on the
31st February and 31st August of each year, the
first Coupon for £1. 4. 6 for interest from 31st
December, 1877, to 31st February, 1878, will be
payable on the latter date, and Coupons of £1.
will be payable thereafter on 31st August and
31st February in each year, until 14th June
1884, when the final Coupon of £2. 8 will be
payable.

The Bonds will be redeemed at par within
Seven Years (1884) by Thirteen Half-yearly
Drawings of £144,000 each, the balance of the
loan, £214,476. 0. 10, being paid off on 14th June
1884.

The Drawings will take place in London in
December and June in each year, and the Bonds
to draw will be selected by the Office of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in
London, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

The Loan, principal and interest, is specially
secured by the hypothecation of the Imperial
Maritime Customs Revenue of the Ports of
Shanghai, Canton, Ningbo, and Hankow, the
four Ports which have the largest Customs
Revenue of the Empire to the extent necessary
for the due payment of interest and repayment
of principal of the said loan.

The total Customs Receipts at the Ports
named for the past three years have averaged
£2,005,500 per annum, and the total Customs
Revenue for the same period at the Ports of
China has averaged £2,500,000 per annum.

The indebtedness of the Imperial Government
only amounts to about £700,000, of which about
£250,000 mature next year. The amounts of the
outstanding Loans and the proposed Loan, taken
together, together only £2,200,000, or about
two-thirds of one year's Customs Revenue.

The payments both of interest and principal on
account of the said loan have been made
promptly and punctually by the Chinese Government.
The special hypothecation of Customs Revenue to
meet the charge of the present Loan is con-
sidered by the Chinese authorities of the
respective Provinces in which the Ports referred
to are situated, and by the European Com-
missioners at the said Ports, which Bonds will be
held by the Bank in trust for the holders of the
Loan. These Customs Bonds will be received
in case of need, in payment of Chinese Customs,
Duties.

The Customs Revenue available to meet these
obligations, and for which they are specially
charged, is £2,100,000 per annum.

Certified translations of the official documents
attesting the fact of the largest Loans, and the
Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation, London.

Applications in the usual form, accompanied
by a deposit of £10 per cent, will be received by
the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
31, Lombard Street, London.

Applications from China, Japan, and Manila
will be received and forwarded by the Hongkong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 31, Lombard
Street, London, and the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation, those from the Straits
Settlements and India to be sent to London.

Details in payment of any instalment at the
due date will render all previous payments liable
to forfeiture.

If no allotment is made, the deposit will be
returned to the applicant, and if only a portion of
the amount applied for is allotted, the balance of the
deposit will be applied towards the payment of the
amount due on allotment.

Serial Certificates to Bonds will be issued
against all allotments and Bonds to be issued
and Bonds to be issued, when ready, will be ex-
changed for fully paid Scrip.

Forms of Application can be obtained of the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORA-
TION, at their Office in London, Hongkong,
and Shanghai.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1877.

TO BE RECEIVED BY THE BANKERS.

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For £1,604,276. 0. 10 STERLING.

No.
To the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

I request that you will allow me to ... of
Bonds of the above Loan in accordance with the
Prospectus issued by you dated ... upon
which I have paid the Deposit of ...
pounds, being at the rate of £10 per cent, and I
engage to accept of the Bonds in full payment of
the sum of ... pounds, and to make the remaining
payments, thereon, in accordance with the Pro-
spectus.

Name at full length. Address. Occupation.

Date. 1877.

BANKERS' RECEIPT TO BE RETAINED BY THE
APPLICANT.

**CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT
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For £1,604,276. 0. 10 STERLING.

Received this ... day of ... 1877,
from ... the sum of ...
pounds, being a deposit made on application for
£ ... of Bonds of the above Loan.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

With reference to the foregoing Prospectus,
APPLICATIONS will be RECEIVED by the
undersigned until the 16th of DECEMBER
NEXT, at which date the allotment will be
made, and the final instalment of 48 per cent
will be PAYABLE on the 31st of December, 1877.
Exchange on Applications received in Hongkong
will be calculated at the rate of one Dollar
to ...

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager,
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
Agents issuing the Loan.

**THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.**
(Chinese Daily Press).
PUBLISHED DAILY.
In the best medium for Advertising among the
Native Community.
It has been established upwards of Twenty
Years, and enjoys the largest, best directed
of any Chinese Paper in the South of
China. It is carefully edited by an experienced
Chinese Scholar, and contains FULL and
RELIABLE Commercial Intelligence.
Terms for Advertising: Full Column, 100
Words, 10 Cents; Half Column, 50 Words,
5 Cents; Single Line, 10 Words, 1 Cent.
Head Office, 45, Colaba Street,
Hongkong, 16th January, 1877.

INSURANCES.

PHENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM this date, with further notice, a dis-
count of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon the
Current Local Rates of Premium will be allowed
upon Insurances effected with this Company.
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th Jan. 1877. [87]

**NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**
The undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to GRANT IN-
SURANCES to the extent of \$50,000, on first-
class risks at current rates.

MELORES & Co.
HONGKONG, 27th March, 1876. [94]

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
The undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to GRANT IN-
SURANCES to the extent of \$50,000, on first-
class risks at current rates.

MELORES & Co.
HONGKONG, 27th March, 1876. [94]

**CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED).**
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER AND
SPECIAL ACT OF PARLIAMENT.

ESTABLISHED 1809.
CAPITAL—£2,000,000.
The undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for
the above Company, are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of £10,000,
on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same,
at the usual rates, subject to a discount of
Twenty per cent. (20%).

GIJMAN & Co.
HONGKONG, 7th July, 1874. [76]

PHENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
The undersigned, having been appointed
Agents to the above Company at this
Port, are prepared to grant Policies against
Fire to the extent of \$50,000, on Buildings or
on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
HONGKONG, 9th November, 1878. [96]

**THE SECOND COLONIAL SEA AND
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF
HAWAII.**
The undersigned, having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of
\$10,000, on any Building, or on Merchandise in
the same, at the usual rates, subject to a dis-
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GIJMAN & Co.
HONGKONG, 7th July, 1874. [76]

**TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**
The undersigned, having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of
\$10,000, on any Building, or on Merchandise in
the same, at the usual rates, subject to a dis-
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**LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE
INSURANCE COMPANY.**
FROM this date, with further notice, a dis-
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Current Local Rates of Premium will be allowed
upon Insurances effected with this Company.
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NOTICE.
The undersigned, having been appointed
AGENT AT THIS PORT FOR THE POST-
OFFICE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE
ASSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED),
W. H. HOLLIER,
HONGKONG, 6th June, 1877. [1494]

**THE LONDON ASSURANCE
CORPORATION.**
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS
MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST.
A. D. 1720.

The undersigned, having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation, are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:

FIRE RISKS.
Policies at current rates, payable either here
in London, or at the principal ports of India,
China, and Australia.

SEA RISKS.
Policies for long or short periods at
current rates.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000,
at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
HONGKONG, 28th July, 1872. [78]

**IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.**
The undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant Policies
against Fire to the extent of \$50,000 on any
one.

FIRE RISKS.
A RETURN OF TWENTY PER CENT. (20%)
will be made on any premium charged on all
Insurances, and the Broker will be payable on the
issue of the Policy.

GIJMAN, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Imperial Fire Insurance Company,
HONGKONG, 1st March, 1874. [74]

**DATVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.**
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